# ENGLAND NOT DOING BEST TO BRING WAR TO AN END

with Back to Wall.

Mr. Balderston cables that he has obtained the long-coveted permission to go to the front and that he is about to leave Loudon for British headyuar-

By JOHN L. BALDERSTON London, April 14 .- Is John Bull do-

ing his level best to win this war? The answer to this question, asked for twenty-one months by enemies ty, is "No." The negative must be qualified by the acknowledgment that John is now accomplishing far more than friend or foe ever thought pos-sible either before the war or during the earlier months of the struggle.

The Englishman tends to become ngry when you put this question to mand suggest the answer. He spluters indignantly that the British Em-

Allies Does Not Represent try's industrial resources" is a phrase which sounds familiar. Did not this take place a year ago? How about Lloyd George and the ministry for munitions? I shall deal with this article with the labor troubles in England that have at least postponed the desired increase in the output of munitions to the proper-tionate figure reached in the other two great industrial countries of Europe,

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France and Germany. The army crisis will also be outlined as frankly as possible; indeed the labor and recruiting muddles are very closely related.

It is not possible to discuss in detail the question of incompetence among the generals and administrators holding the highest positions in the empire, but a silight knowledge of the English social system will show any one where the trouble lies here. An official of the ministry of munitions told me, "Three of my superiors in this department are Oxford men who can write Greek verses, but not one of them knows the name of a single part in a machine gun or in their work is just as vital as that of the France and Germany. The army crisis a single part in a machine gun or in their work is just as vital as that of the any other gun, shell, rifle, cartridge or other instrument of war."

Munitions Situation Better

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The munition situation is much better but for the country. If any one else profer than it was last autumn, and an autumn, aut there it was last autumn, and an authority thus sums up the case for the do not like it; it would be absurd to pregovernment: "In one branch of explosives alone, the production is thirty times as great as it was at the end of May.

Over a thousand factories are now con-

engaged on government work whose employes come under the compulsory provisions of the munitions act, which practically make it impossible for a man to change his job without the permission of his employed. chaps more than double, the country ources for war. The three most important reforms would be:

I have also tried to get at the workcomplete organization of the country's men's side, which receives scant justicelly make it impossible for a man
to change his job without the permission
of his employer, and make him, in the
language of labor radicals, a "serf." T Drastic changes in the high commands of the army involving a caster revolution. When, if ever, these three weak links in England's armor have been repaired, the British empire will be entifled to say that it is doing its best and that its afforts are proportionately as great as are driven at the highest possible pressible pressible pressible parts those put forward by France and Germany. The fact that the sum total of Enitain's military, naval and economic efforts may be held to be greater than the contribution of France is irrelevant, the contribution of France is irrelevant, and being the published.

Made Human Machines.

In Germany and France, patriotism and imilitary discipline have turned the working juggling the employers, aided by ineptitude or insincerity of government of insincerity of government of

made its final effort to get enough volun-teers to maintain the army at the com-batant strength of 1,400,000 men, with batant strength of 1.40,000 men, with 1.40,000 reserves, figures I was able to give exclusively on November 13, and which have since been confirmed, Lord Derby took charge of recruiting. He promised the married men of the nation, and his pledge was indorsed by Premier Asquith, that if they would attest under the group system, for enrollment when needed, the unmarried men who did not enlist would be conscripted provided more than a neglible minority refused to come forward.

The result was nearly 2,000,000 volunting the provided manufacture of the same her husband died, eight years after she went to him in Holland, this same

conscription law for the unmarried was passed. It soon became evident that the insisted that Mary was not of age. No whole situation was frightfully muddled, and frightfully muddled it remains. On very good authority I hear that the conscription act, passed to secure the recalcitrant 651,000, has resulted in less than 40,000 conscripts joining the colors, some law 20,000.

Many Occupations "Starred."

This belated discovery may be regarded with pride by English historians of the future, for it proves that nearly the whole available unmarried manhood of the nation did come forward voluntarily. Immense Aid Given to Her history according to whether or not he Complete Reorganization of calculations falsified, the great surplus of unmarried "slackers" having been

Great Industries of Empire

Necessary as Well as Overhauling of Her Army and were sent into the army almost at once, and May 5 the married men up to 36 years of age will have to report for duty. The last five classes or groups of men up to 41 years will probably also be called up in May. This has resulted in a tremendous out-

cry against the government, Lord Derby, and the mytical "single slackers," which has gone up from scores of thousands of attested married men who believed they would never have to serve, or at least not until next year, and now find themselves obliged to leave their families after having been, they say, "betrayed." This agitation has gained great headway, associations of attested married men have been formed all over the country, and some of them have even threatened to refuse to enter the army, threats which will doubtless be reconsidered. They claim that the tribunals before which men of military age appear for exemption if engaged in work of great importance have released single men who ought to fight, and that the single men in the starred trades should be sent to the front and their places

### Trying to Soothe Benedicts.

The government is doing what it can to allay the wrath of the married, and is going through the starred tracies and, wherever possible, weeding out single

efforts may be held to be greater than these French shell-workers toil, and I have no doubt the situation in France is irrelevant, have no doubt the situation in France is struggle of this kind every partner is expected to contribute all he can to the common cause, and will be judged by this is logical enough. "It is true," said and had to announce that owing to delays in collection he had taken in only grace and beauty were celebrated far and wide and her numerous accomplishments were subjects of no little comment. Charles Lewis, the Elector Palatine, one this is logical enough. "It is true," said labor has done prevents the same proportionate production in this country.

her royal mamma to Holland, and duly installed in her new position. If one can believe contemporary accounts, the little princess was a child of unusual ability. Taggart will be in sore straits.

teers, married and unmarried, but since Lord Derby's report showed 651,000 unmarried men had failed to enlist, the conscription law for the unmarried was passed. It soon became evident that the whole affine the construction of the unmarried was passed. It soon became evident that the last t few months later. The mother-in-law insisted that Mary was not of age. No little wrangling followed, but the fact

the matter.

It was not until she was twenty-five years old, however, that she became full regent. As far as English history is concerned of Mary Princess Royal and Will-place, it kept him out in the open air, of mischief

## STATESMEN-REAL AND NEAR. CLOSE-UP VIEWS OF FOLK WORTH KNOWING

By FRED C. KELLY.

tire country there could be found another a baseball fan like Tom Stout, Congress-man from Montana.

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Every town and hamlet has, of course, its pet fan, who is regarded in his own community as the very Than-Whomest of all fans. But after carefully canvassing the situation, I am convinced that there is no fan so rabid in his devotion to his Cause, and so unhappy when missing a bull game as Town Story. He is for any kind of the maintained a stout switch and vigorously drew Ed's attention to the fact that he was never to go in the sting of the maintained as the strength of the fact that he was never to go in the still game as Town Story. He is for any kind of the fact that he was never to go in the still game as Town Story. He is for any kind of the fact that he was never to go in this cause, and so unhappy when missing a kind of the fact that he was never to go in the story of the st



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define whow the refusal of British labor to sacrifice itself as French and German is acrifice itself as French and German is acrifice itself as French and German is acrifice itself as French and German is acrificed to the match instituted as school to teach ment have to perform a certain extremely delicate operation on an implement of war, work the delicacy of which may be compared to the finest lace making. My informant is in general charge of this work, and the foreman a few days of the match in the foreman a few days of them."

To Easy for Women, "It's these women," he said, "You must get rid of them."

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Under the authority of the board of trade, more than a hundred occupations importance than it appears on the surface, and the workers in them exempted from conscription on the ground that they are doing work of national importance. It was found, after the conscription bill was passed, that nearly all the 651,000 "slackers," as they

Young Ed himself did not realize what

there is no fan so rabid in his devotion to his Cause, and so unhappy when missing a ball game, as Tom Stout. He is more than a fan, he is a bug. Certainly there is none like him in Congress.

There are plenty of men who will for sake all to attend a ball game, when the game happens to be a big league affair. But Tom Stout will grow excited slam shut his desk and break into a wild lope to reach a game even if it is only a back-lot contest between two picked nines of small colored boys.

Last spring Tom was called to San Francisco to make a speech dedicating the Montana building at the big Frisco exposition. He sat down and wrote out a speech that was really a masterly plece of work. After trimming it down and rehearsing it before a couple of admirers, he found that the speech would occupy about 35 minutes.

switch and vigorously drew Ed's stetention to the was never to go in for that the was never to go in for any kind of profanity again so long as he lived.

"Where jevver hear such talk, any-how?" he inquired.

"I heard you talking to the horses," to the horses, after was obliged to punish him all over again for his impertinence.

However, the incident made a deep impression on him and completely broke him of profanity. He never swore a note from then on until he went to work on a Denver newspaper. Even after he had become managing editor of the paper he could not swear by ear, and he was so aspeech that was really a masterly plece of work. After trimming it down and rehearsing it before a couple of admirers, he found that the speech would occupy about 35 minutes. by swearing at his wife-after first carefully explaining that he did not actually mean what he was about to say.

Even at the present time, Ed Keating



No one was able to find out just why he wished to postpone the trip. All the others could get out of Tom was that of close friendship with the Senator and there were some "matters" which required his presence at home on Sunday. detail just what attitude to take on vari-

David Gibson, writer and magazine publisher, of Cleveland, is a believer in the efficiency of business courtesy. He therefore has composed and has framed his outer office, this brief statement his principles: "It is the policy of this company to

extend courteous treatment to every hu-

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"The stars incline, but do not compel."

thoughts and receive the stimulating power of the universe. It is peculiarly a time for intellectual and spiritual insight. The rule is believed to render men and women sus-ceptible to psychic influences and to

quicken their susceptibilities.

Mars gives courage and energy, While
this configuration prevails public opin-

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It is doubtful if anywhere in the en-jof his young and impressionable-minded in the seers give assurance that the United States will be able to keep out of the world conflict. The stars augur gain for those who

but men and women are warned against sell within the next twenty-four he

but men and women are warned against reckless speculation.

Uranus gives promise of the greatest, advance of knowledge concerning the world beyond the reach of the five senses. Famous savants will help to spread the new understanding, it is prophesiod.

The revival of secret teachings of the ancients may lead to teachings of the

clates. It was really a source of no. a little embarrassment to Keating, and he was obliged to practice at home nights by swearing at his wife—after first carefully explaining that he did not actually mean what he was about to say.

Callers by in success are foretois. Children born on this day will be alert and industrious. Both boys and girls will rise in life. Girls may, however, spoil their careers by marrying unsuccessful men much older than themselves.

### Freckles and Blotches Are Easily Peeled Off

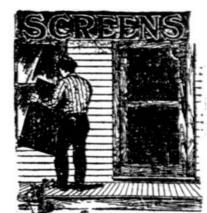
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This is an uncommonly lucky day, according to astrology, and all who are wise will make the best of it. Mars, Jupiter and Uranus are all in strongly benefic aspect.

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